

Testimony was heard on one or more of the measures from the following Representatives: Dent, Morse, Stratton, Johnson of Maryland, Pucinski, and Curtis of Missouri. Hearings continue Thursday, April 27.

#### CIA BRIEFING

*Committee on Science and Astronautics:* Met in executive session for a briefing from Allen W. Dulles, Director, Central Intelligence Agency, and other CIA personnel.

#### VETERANS' COMPENSATION

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Compensation and Pension continued hearings on the committee's measures relating to veterans' compensation, and heard testimony from representatives of veterans' organizations. Hearings continue Thursday, April 27.

#### INTERNAL REVENUE CODE—PENSION

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported the following bills:

H.R. 10, to encourage the establishment of voluntary pension plans by self-employed individuals;

H.R. 929, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to permit the prepaid dues income of certain membership organizations to be included in gross income for the taxable years to which the dues relate; and

H.R. 6352, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (relating to the unlimited deduction for charitable contributions for certain individuals).

Committee will continue in executive session Thursday, April 27.

### Joint Committee Meetings

#### NATO

*Joint Committee on Atomic Energy:* Committee met in executive session to receive a briefing on NATO matters from Foy D. Kohler, Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs, and Philip J. Farley, Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for Atomic Energy and Outer Space.

#### MINIMUM WAGE

*Conferees* continued, in executive session, to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3935, Fair Labor Standards Amendments of 1961, but did not reach final agreement, and will meet again on Monday, May 1.

#### PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

*Joint Economic Committee:* Committee met in executive session to review a draft of its report on the President's Economic Report of this year.

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#### HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses received President's messages on conflict of interest and on reorganization in FCC and SEC.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages 6772-6835*

**Bills Introduced:** 33 bills and 5 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1718-1750; S.J. Res. 77; and S. Res. 128-131.

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**Bills Reported:** Reports were made as follows:

S. 395, 921, 971, 980, 1045, 241, 304, 400, and 973, private bills (S. Repts. 181-189);

S. 847, to change the name of the Army and Navy Legion of Valor of the U.S.A., Inc., to Legion of Valor of the U.S.A., Inc. (S. Rept. 190);

H.R. 1723, extending until June 28, 1961, the date of completion of plans for the observance of the 175th anniversary of the Constitution (S. Rept. 191);

S.J. Res. 65, designating the week of May 14-20, 1961, as Police Week, and designating May 15, 1961, as Peace Officers Memorial Day (S. Rept. 192);

S.J. Res. 68, designating the week of October 1, 1961, as National Public Works Week (S. Rept. 193);

S.J. Res. 24, designating the fourth Sunday of September of each year as Interfaith Day (S. Rept. 194);

S.J. Res. 34, designating the week of October 9-15, 1961, as National American Guild of Variety Artists Week (S. Rept. 195);

S. Res. 126, to print as a Senate document memorandums relating to constitutional issues on S. 1021, proposed School Assistance Act, with amendment (S. Rept. 196);

S. 1748, to provide for increased distribution of the Congressional Record to the Federal judiciary (S. Rept. 197);

S. Res. 129, referring S. 101, a private bill, to the Court of Claims (S. Rept. 198); and

S. 1215, to amend the Mutual Defense Assistance Control Act of 1951 (so-called Battle Act) (S. Rept. 199).

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**Bill Referred:** H.R. 6518, making appropriations for the inter-American social and economic cooperation program and the Chilean reconstruction and rehabilitation program for fiscal year 1961, which passed the House on April 25, was referred to Committee on Appropriations.

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**President's Messages:** Three messages from the President were received and referred as follows:

Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1961 (Securities and Exchange Commission)—referred to Committee on Government Operations;

Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1961 (Federal Communications Commission)—referred to Committee on Government Operations; and

Conflict of Interest—referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

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**Tunisian President:** By unanimous consent it was agreed that it will be in order at any time on Thursday, May 4, for Vice President to declare a recess for the purpose of receiving the President of Tunisia in a joint meeting.

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**Unemployment Compensation—Aid to Children:** Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for President H.R. 4884, authorizing Federal financial participation in aid to dependent children of unemployed parents.

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**Merchant Marine—Offseason Cruises:** Senate passed with committee amendments H.R. 6100, to amend the Merchant Marine Act so as to authorize offseason cruises by American-flag passenger vessels.

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**Merchant Marine—Vessels Documentation:** S. 881, to permit documentation of vessels sold or transferred abroad, was passed without amendment.

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**Treaty Received:** International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, dated at London on June 17, 1960 (Ex. K, 87th Cong., 1st sess.), was received and referred to Committee on Foreign Relations.

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**Treaty Reported:** Second Agreement Between the U.S. and the Federal Republic of Germany Relating to the Validation of German Dollar Bonds, signed at Bonn on August 16, 1960 (Ex. D, 87th Cong., 1st sess.), was reported (Ex. Rept. 3).

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**Confirmations:** Senate confirmed nomination of U. Alexis Johnson, of California, to be Deputy Under Secretary of State; and the nominations of John A. Calhoun, of California, to be Ambassador to Republic of Chad; James K. Penfield, of California, to be Ambassador to Iceland; Edward J. Sparks, of New York, to be Ambassador to Uruguay; and James Wine, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg.

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**Nominations:** Senate received the following nominations: Philip W. Bonsal, of the D.C., to be Ambassador to Morocco; 3 judicial; 1 civilian; 246 postmasters; numerous Public Health nominations; and the withdrawal of 1 civilian nomination.

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**Adjournment:** Adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1962 budget estimates for the Defense Establishment, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their department from Maj. Gen. Russell L. Vittrup, Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel; Maj. Gen. Frederick M. Warren, Chief, Reserve and ROTC Affairs; and Maj. Gen. D. W. McGowan, Chief, National Guard Bureau, all of the Army.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, May 2.

### APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

**Committee on Appropriations:** Continuing its hearings on fiscal 1962 budget estimates for the Department of the Interior, and related agencies, subcommittee received testimony in behalf of funds from their respective departments from Thomas B. Nolan, Director, Geological Survey; Richard F. Taitano, Director, Office of Territories; Delmas H. Nucker, High Commissioner, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; Dan H. Wheeler, Alaska Public Works Adviser; Edwin M. Fitch, Assistant to the General Manager of the Alaska Railroad; and Dr. Kenneth L. Bartlett, President, Virgin Islands Corporation.

Hearings continue on Monday, May 1.

### HOUSING

**Committee on Banking and Currency:** The Subcommittee on Housing, in executive session, approved for full committee consideration a bill proposing housing amendments for 1961. The measure, as approved by



the subcommittee, would embody with minor amendments the provisions of S. 1478, omnibus housing bill, also amended so as to include the text of S. 858, proposed Open Space and Urban Development Act of 1961.

#### EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee held hearings on S. 1154, proposed Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, having as its witness Philip H. Coombs, Assistant Secretary of State for Educational and Cultural Affairs. Mr. Coombs presented the position of the executive branch of the Government on this proposed legislation.

#### INVESTIGATIONS—MISSILE CONSTRUCTION

*Committee on Government Operations:* The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings to inquire into strikes, work stoppages, excessive costs, and inefficiencies in the missile construction program, having as its witnesses Paul J. Tierney, of the subcommittee's staff; Jude M. Joseph, Modern Electronics Contracting Co., Jacksonville, Fla.; Tom O'Malley, a test conductor, Convair Corp., Cape Canaveral; and Robert Palmer, business agent, local 756, IBEW, Daytona Beach.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

#### IDENTICAL BIDDING IN ELECTRICAL INDUSTRY

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Continuing its hearings on identical bidding in the electrical manufacturing industry, the Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee had as its witnesses Arthur F. Vinson, vice president and group executive, and Ray Smith, formerly vice president and general manager, both of the General Electric Co.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

#### EDUCATION

*Committee on Labor and Public Welfare:* The Subcommittee on Education met in executive session to consider S. 1021, to provide Federal assistance for public school facilities, but did not conclude action thereon, and will meet again on Tuesday, May 2.

#### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Post Office and Civil Service:* Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of Louis J. Doyle, to be General Counsel of the Post Office Department, and Richard M. Scammon, to be Director of the Census, prior to which action, in open session, the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Testimony in behalf of Mr. Scammon was received from Deputy Postmaster General H. W. Brawley.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 23 public bills, H.R. 6686-6708; 4 private bills, H.R. 6709-6712; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 395-397, and H. Res. 268-270, were introduced.

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**Bills Reported:** Reports were filed as follows:

Seven private bills, S. 1097, H.R. 1531, 1687, 4636, 4796, 6013, and 6224 (H. Repts. 314-320, respectively).

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of May 3.

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**President's Message—Conflict of Interests:** Received and read a message from the President recommending revision and strengthening of the "conflict of interest" statutes. The message was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 145).

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**Reorganization Plans Nos. 1 and 2 of 1961:** Received and read messages from the President transmitting Reorganization Plans Nos. 1 and 2 of 1961 which provide for reorganizations in the Securities and Ex-

change Commission and the Federal Communications Commission, respectively, so as to provide for greater efficiency in the dispatch of the business of both agencies. Both messages and plans were referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

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**Subcommittee To Sit:** The Subcommittee on Elections of the Committee on House Administration was granted permission to sit during the session of the House on Monday next.

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**Adjournment:** Adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

### Committee Meetings

#### GENERAL FARM BILL

*Committee on Agriculture:* Resumed hearings on H.R. 6400, to improve and protect farm prices and farm income, to increase farmer participation in the development of farm programs, to adjust supplies of agricultural commodities in line with the requirements therefor, to improve distribution and expand exports of agricultural commodities, to liberalize and extend farm credit services, to protect the interest of consumers. Heard testimony from representatives of the National Grange and

National Council of Farmer Co-Ops. Hearings continue Friday, April 28.

#### ARMED MISCELLANY

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee No. 1, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee H.R. 4328 (amended), to reassign Marine Corps officers designated for supply duty as officers not restricted in the performance of duty; H.R. 4321 (amended), to authorize the transportation of dependents and baggage and household effects of certain retired members; and H.R. 4327, to authorize certain payments of deceased members' final accounts without the necessity of settlement by the General Accounting Office.

Prior to taking action on the measures the subcommittee in an open hearing heard Gen. David M. Shoup, Commandant, Maj. Gen. Alpha L. Bowser, Assistant Chief of Staff, and Maj. Gen. C. R. Allen, Quartermaster General, Marine Corps, on H.R. 4321; Department of Defense witnesses on H.R. 4321 and 4330; and an official of the General Accounting Office on H.R. 4327.

#### OVERPRICING OF GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Special Investigations began hearings on overpricing of Government contracts, and heard testimony from Joseph E. Campbell, Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, and other GAO officials. Hearings continue Friday, April 28.

#### HOUSING

*Committee on Banking and Currency:* The Subcommittee on Housing continued hearings on H.R. 6028, to assist in the provision of housing for moderate and low income families, to promote orderly urban development, to extend and amend laws relating to housing, urban renewal, and community facilities. Witnesses heard were representatives of the National Housing Conference, and the American Council on Education. Hearings continue Friday, April 28.

#### DOG LEASHING—MINISTERS

*Committee on District of Columbia:* Subcommittee No. 4 held a hearing on H.R. 5486, to prohibit the examination in D.C. courts of any minister of religion in connection with any communication made to him in his professional capacity without the consent of the party to such communication; and H.R. 806, regarding a dog leash law for D.C.

Heard testimony from various D.C. officials and public witnesses.

#### HOME LOAN BANK BOARD

*Committee on Government Operations:* Special Subcommittee on Home Loan Bank Board held a hearing on the Federal Home Loan Bank Board seizure of the

Long Beach Federal Savings & Loan Association. Heard various public witnesses. Hearings continue Friday, April 28.

#### NATIONAL PARKS

*Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs:* Subcommittee on National Parks ordered favorably reported to the full committee H.R. 6422 (amended), to add federally owned lands to, and exclude federally owned lands from, the Cedar Breaks National Monument, Utah; H.R. 5760 (amended), to revise the boundaries of the Scotts Bluff National Monument, Nebr.; H.R. 6346, to include Ackia Battleground National Monument, Miss., and Meriwether Lewis National Monument, Tenn., in the Natchez Trace Parkway, and to provide appropriate designations for them; and H.R. 6519, to provide additional lands for the Tupelo National Battlefield Site, Miss.

Considered but took no final action on H.R. 498, to provide additional lands at, and change the name of, the Fort Necessity National Battlefield Site, Pa.

Witnesses heard were Representatives Peterson (H.R. 6422), Martin (H.R. 5760), and Morgan (H.R. 498); and departmental personnel. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

#### CORPORATE MERGERS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee No. 5 (Antitrust) began hearings on H.R. 2882, and similar bills, relating to prior notification of corporate mergers. Testimony was given by Representative Patman; and Lee Loevinger, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice. Hearings continue Friday, April 28.

#### COAST GUARD

*Committee on Merchant Marine:* Subcommittee on Oceanography, in executive session, ordered reported to the full committee H.R. 4340 (amended), to provide for the expansion of the functions of the Coast Guard.

Prior to taking action on the measure the subcommittee, in an open hearing, heard testimony from Vice Adm. James A. Hirshfield, Chief of Staff, Coast Guard; Rear Adm. Edward C. Stephan, hydrographer of Navy; and Rear Adm. H. Arnold Karo, Director, Coast and Geodetic Survey.

#### POSTAL RATES

*Committee on Post Office and Civil Service:* Continued hearings on H.R. 6418, to adjust postal rates. Heard testimony from J. Edward Day, Postmaster General; Ralph P. Nicholson, Assistant Postmaster General, Bureau of Finance, and three public witnesses who were proponents of the bill. Hearings continue Tuesday, May 2.



**FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAY PROGRAM**

*Committee on Public Works:* Special Subcommittee on Federal-aid highway program met in executive session. No announcements were made.

**MEXICAN FARM LABOR**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted an open rule, waiving points of order, with 1 hour debate on H.R. 2010, the Mexican farm labor bill.

Witnesses heard on granting of a rule were Representatives Cooley, Gathings, Hoeven, and Teague of Texas.

**COMMITTEE INVESTIGATIONS—SELECT COMMITTEE**

*Committee on Rules:* Held a hearing and deferred action on H. Res. 38, to create a select committee to study seizure and detention of American citizens in foreign countries; H. Res. 57, to provide that the Education and Labor Committee conduct an investigation and study of discrimination in employment against persons over 40 years of age; and H. Res. 58, to authorize the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to investigate and study safety of design of motor vehicles used in interstate commerce.

Heard the authors of the resolutions, Representatives Johansen (H. Res. 38), and Lane (H. Res. 57 and 58).

**VETERANS' COMPENSATION**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Compensation and Pension continued hearings on all the committee's measures relating to veterans' compensation. Testimony was given by Veterans' Administration officials. Hearings continue May 10.

**TAXES—IMPORTATION**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills:

H.R. 2244 (amended), relating to the deduction for income tax purposes of contributions to charitable organizations whose sole purpose is making distributions to other charitable organizations, contributions to which by individuals are deductible within the 30-percent limitation of adjusted gross income;

H.R. 2585 (amended), relating to the credits against the employment tax in the case of certain successor employers; and

H.R. 4449 (amended), to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 with respect to the importation of certain articles for religious purposes.

The committee will continue in executive session Monday, May 1.

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*Monday, May 1, 1961*

House passed 21 miscellaneous bills.

Conferees agreed to file conference report on minimum wage bill.

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages 6929-6953*

**Bills Introduced:** Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1751-1758; and S. Res. 132.

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**Sundry Measures Passed:** Senate took up and passed six sundry measures, as follows:

*Printing—school aid:* S. Res. 126, to print as a Senate document, memorandums relating to constitutional issues on S. 1021, proposed School Assistance Act (with committee amendment);

*Congressional Record:* S. 1748, to provide for increased distribution of the Congressional Record to the Federal judiciary;

*Police Week:* S.J. Res. 65, designating the week of May 14-20, 1961, as Police Week, and designating May 15, 1961, as Peace Officers Memorial Day;

*Public Works Week:* S.J. Res. 68, designating the week of October 1, 1961, as National Public Works Week;

*Interfaith Day:* S.J. Res. 24, designating the fourth Sunday of September of each year as Interfaith Day; and

*Variety Artists Week:* S.J. Res. 34, designating the week of October 9-15, 1961, as National American Guild of Variety Artists Week.

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